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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, DLA TROOP SUPPORT

SUBJECT: Compelling Reasons Determination, Subsistence Prime Vendor United Arab Emirates (UAE), Oman, Djibouti and Kenya, Contract SPM300-12-D-3595

Seven Seas Shipchangers, LLC (Seven Seas) is the current subsistence prime vendor providing full line foodservice storage and distribution for Naval and Land Based customers in the UAE, Oman, Djibouti and Kenya, under Contract SPM300-12-D-3595. The Defense Logistics Agency proposed Seven Seas for debarment on March 13, 2015. Pursuant to FAR 9.405-1(b)(3), the DLA Troop Support Contracting Officer requested permission for performance under this contract to continue, including authorization to exercise an option and place new orders. This request was based on the lack of a way to meet customer requirements in the short term. The request details why Seven Seas is the only contractor able to satisfy customer requirements in the short term. A follow on acquisition, which will require a 180 day ramp-up period for full performance, is planned so that use of the subject contract can be ended as quickly as possible.

For the reasons specified by the Contracting Officer and summarized above, I hereby determine that there are compelling reasons for DLA Troop Support to continue to place orders in excess of the guaranteed minimum and to exercise the second option period on contract SPM300-12-D-3595. This authorization remains in effect only until the earlier of the end of the second option period, September 17, 2018, or when any guaranteed minimum ordering obligation is satisfied and transition to a follow-on contractor is complete.

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Director